## Heber Light and Power Manager Honored For Industry Contributions



Heber Light and Power Manager Ray Farrell (left) is presented with the ICPA Public Service Award from President Leon Bowler, honoring him for his contributions, dedication and commitment to public power.

Heber Light and Power Manager Ray Farrell was recognized by his industry peers recently for his contributions to the public power industry. He was named the 1991 recipient of the Intermountain Consumer Power Association (ICPA) Public Service Award at the organization's annual meeting in Parowan. The award recognizes outstanding contributions, dedication, and commitment to public power.

Ray began his career with Heber Light and Power in 1959 and was named manager nine years later on Aug. 1, 1968. The power business has changed dramatically since then. Heber Light and Power's energy sales have increased about 70 percent since 1970, requiring investment in new facilities and power supply sources. Three new substations, a hydroelectric plant and natural-gas fired generators have been built under his direction to meet Heber Light and Power's growing needs.

In 1981, Heber Light and Power became part-owner of a coal-fired generating plant in Emery County. Two years ago the utility purchased a share of a 345,000 kilovolt transmission line running from western Colorado into the state of Utah, giving HL&P customers access to additional energy supplies. The power company also owns a portion of the Intermountain Power Project near Delta.

ICPA cited Farrell's commitment to service reliability as one of the reasons he was selected for the award. Power outages affecting other parts of the state hardly dim a light in Heber City, Midway, and Charleston because the utility's two hydro plants and new gas-fired units can supply virtually all their power needs. Without them, customers would have been in the dark last August when fire destroyed UP&L's transmission line in the west part of Heber Valley.

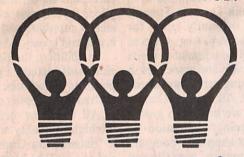
Farrell's colleagues also noted his active involvement in the public power organizations to which Heber Light and Power belongs. Besides serving on the board of directors of the Intermountain Consumer Power Association, he is a board member of Utah Associated Municipal Power Systems and Intermountain Power Agency. He has been an officer of ICPA for many years and chairman of the budget committee for the past two years.

"Ray is a genuine leader and stalwart of public power," said ICPA President Leon Bowler in presenting Farrell with the award. "He runs a first rate public power utility and has given generously of his time to serve public power organizations. He is a valued colleague and dear friend."

ICPA is a utility organization comprised of 37 consumer-owned electric power utilities in Utah, Nevada, and Arizona.

## Customers of Heber Light and Power To Celebrate Public Power Week, Aug. 8-15

WE'RE PUBLIC POWERFUL!



"PUBLIC POWERful" theme set to focus attention on the benefits of public power.

Customers of Heber Light and Power will be celebrating the fact that their electricity comes from a community-owned, locally controlled utility during Utah Public Power Week, slated for Aug. 8-15. Heber's community celebration is set for Aug. 11 and will include a free customer "thank you" barbecue dinner in the Heber City Park, raffle of door prizes, and power bill credits of \$5, \$10, \$25, \$50, \$100, and bucket truck rides.

Heber Power and Light is one of more than 2,000 public power systems in the United States that is was created in 1909 to give local provide adequate, reliable electric service at a reasonable cost, and provide proper protection of the environment. Today, Heber Light and Power serves approximately 4,000 customers.

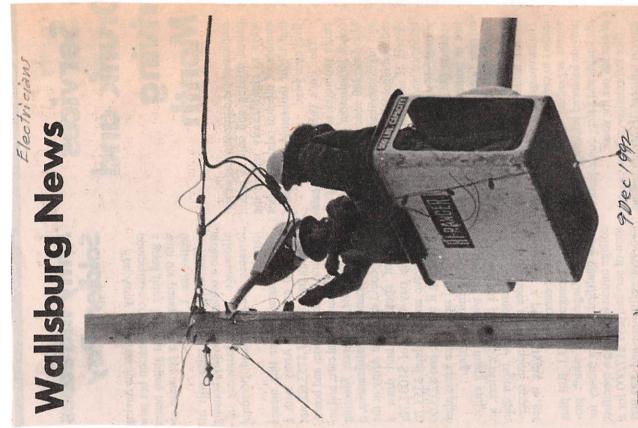
utility does make all of us PUBLIC POWERful," said Ray Farrell, Heber Power and Light Power superintendent. "The special characteristics of public power not-for-profit service, decision making by local citizens, and dedication to meeting broad community goals - help ensure a local longterm energy strategy that benefits Heber's utility consumer-owners," Farrell said.

To better promote the benefits of public power, and give local citizens an opportunity to get to know their utility, Heber Power and Light is sponsoring a community celebration free-of-charge for the entire family on Tuesday, Aug. 11 at Heber City Park from 6 p.m. to owned by the people it serves. It 8 p.m. A raffle of door prizes and power bills credits will be held. citizens a voice in utility policies, Customers can register for the raffle at the event and must be present to

Also attending the celebration will be the 120 cyclists participating in the sixth annual Pedal for Power Bicycle Tour of Utah. Pedal "Our community-owned electric for Power is the centerpiece of Utah's Public Power Week and attracts cyclists from all parts of the country. Beginning in Bountiful, cyclists will travel through many of the State's public power communities located throughout northern Utah and as far south as Mt. Pleasant. As they ride from community to community, they will collect local celebration proclamations and will deliver them to the Governor at the conclusion of the tour.

"All of these activities are designed to focus attention on the utility and the benefits of public power," Farrell said. "The community should be proud of its public power system and learn as much about it as possible. We hope that during Public Power Week, our customers will think about where their electricity comes from when they turn on the lights or turn off the television and enjoy the benefits of being "PUBLIC POWERful."

Customers of Heber Light and Power can contact Ray Farrell at 654-1581 for more information.



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## Heber Light and Power tests water with electric plant

By SONNI SCHWINN Herald Correspondent

HEBER CITY - A mini water treatment plant in a trailer spent a recent week next to the Lake Creek Heber Light and Power hydro electric plant, six miles east of Heber City, so the exact process for purifying the water discharged from the electric plant could be determined.

from Witts Lake, in Timber

Lakes, to generate electricity. The Lake Creek irrigation water will water discharged from the power plant will be treated for culinary use by landowners in the Lake Creek Irrigation Co. service area 35 times the size of the pilot plant.

module, a holding tank, and the main pipeline will cost about \$1.6 million. One module treats about 500,000 gallons of water per day The power plant uses water and can provide culinary water, for about 600 average households.

continue to be used for outside watering.

building about 60 by 80 feet will be by a water treatment module that is built, with all the plumbing installed, and the first package plant, The building that will house the or module, will be brought to the site. Russ Wall, president of the Lake Creek Irrigation Co., said he hopes to have water in the main pipe by this fall. Additional modules can be added as needed, at the cost of about \$100,000 each.

The project originally was be- with high levels of solids because gun by the power company, but the power board decided not to contin-Consultant Steve Sowby said a ue because the treatment facility will be regulated by the state Public Service Commission. However, the irrigation company has picked up the project and will repay the power company for all its filters. If needed, PH control expenses.

Chris Peever, pilot plant engineer for Infilco Degremont, Richmond, Va., described the Lake Creek water as "pretty good, but stored for culinary use.

of turbidity."

He said the water is first treated with chemicals that react with whatever is in the untreated water, mainly to coagulate the solids in the water so they can be caught in chemicals, disinfectants, or oxidants can also be added. The water is then processed through two filters. Then the clean, clear water is

## Heber Light and Power turns over Lake Creek water treatment plant 6-12-93

By SONNI SCHWINN Herald Correspondent

Heber Light and Power has been developing has been taken over by the Lake Creek Irrigation Co.

The power company planned to treat water from lakes in the Timber Lakes subdivision for culinary use in the Lake Creek area. But, on the advice of the Utah Department of Commerce, the power company two weeks ago.

Division of Public Utilities Compliance and Water Section wrote, ing water service within the city

whether or not those customers outside a city's boundaries should be under the jurisdiction of the Creek water treatement plant that question appears to be far from resolved."

provides water for its citizens, so the city could take over the Lake Creek project as part of its municipal system without being regulated off in full by the irrigation compaby the commission. But, because ny. the power company doesn't proboard voted to cancel the project vide water in any of the cities that own it, and the water system is not Dan W. Bagnes, editor for the being started in the cities, it would become a public utility.

in a letter to Ray Farrell, HL & P regulated by (the commission)," manager, "It appears the Heber said Heber City Mayor Scott Light and Power would be subject Wright, president of the power to (Public Service) Commission board. He said the power company regulation if it commences water isn't within the commission's juservice to customers outside the risdiction now because it is a mucity limits without already provid- nicipal utility that serves only people in the cities that own it, Heber, limits. There is some question as to Midway and Charleston.

But, he said, the water studies that are underway to determine the feasibility of the project will be HEBER CITY - The Lake Public Service Commission but the completed. The results of the study and all other documents relating to the project will be turned over to the water company, but Farrell Farrell said Heber City already said he will not be involved in any of the water company's plans. He said all the money the power company has spent so far will be paid

> Russ Wall, president of the irrigation company, said the company plans to pick up where the power company left off. As previously "We don't want to have to be scheduled, a water treatment plant module has been trucked to the power company's Lake Creek hydro electric plant for a trial run.

The company will be regulated by the Public Service Commission, but Wall likes the idea. "That's great for the people. That ensures that they won't get overcharged," he said.